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VIP treatment for actor Darshan inside Bengaluru Jail

City Police raid Mysuru Central Prison

No incriminating materials found after two-hour intense search: City Police Commissioner

DCP (Law and Order) M. Muthuraj, DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi and sniffer dog team seen during the raid at Mysuru Jail this morning.

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (RK&BS)- Following the circulation of a viral photo showing Sandalwood actor (now murder accused) Darshan relaxing with notorious rowdy-sheeters inside Bengaluru's Parappana Agrahara Central Prison, Police across Karnataka conducted simultaneous raids on jails today.

In Mysuru, the Central Prison on Ashoka Road was thoroughly searched this morning, but no prohibited items such as weapons or cell phones were found, despite two hours of intense inspection from 6 am to 8 am.

(See PRISON on page 6)

Retired RBI MD's house burgled

Thieves decamp with Rs. 50 lakh worth gold jewels from Vijayanagar house; Leave silver untouched

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (RK&KS)- In a daring burglary at the residence of retired Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Managing Director Ravikumar in Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, thieves made off with gold ornaments worth Rs. 50 lakh and cash of Rs. 25,000 while leaving behind silver articles. The incident came to light on Aug. 26.

Ravikumar, who resides in Bengaluru, had constructed a house in Vijayanagar 4th Stage. The property, isolated with no nearby houses or buildings, became an easy target for burglars.

On Aug. 24, Ravikumar, along with his wife and two daughters, travelled to Bengaluru to distribute wedding invitations for his daughter's upcoming nuptials. The following day, on Aug. 25, Ravikumar sent his daughters back to Mysuru, where they stayed at their apartment in Yadavagiri.

Yesterday, around 7.30 pm, Ravikumar and his wife returned to Mysuru and discovered that the front CCTV camera at their Vijayanagar house had been broken. Upon further inspection, they found the rear CCTV camera also damaged and the back door forcibly opened.

Inside the house, Ravikumar found the place ransacked and approximately 800 grams of gold jewellery worth about Rs. 50 lakh, along with Rs. 25,000 in cash, stolen from the almirah. The burglars had used a key left nearby to access the almirah. Curiously, the silver articles in the house were left untouched.

(See BURGLED on page 5)

Rs. 32 crore lost to cyber criminals in seven months

Between January and July 2024, 61 cyber crime cases registered in Mysuru city

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (RK&KS)- A staggering 61 cyber crime cases were registered in the city between January and July 2024, with victims losing a total of Rs. 32 crore to online fraudsters, revealed City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar.

Addressing the media at her office yesterday, she cautioned residents about the rising trend in cyber crimes, particularly those where fraudsters deceive people by claiming their bank accounts have been blocked.

They then trick victims into providing a One Time Password (OTP) under the pretence of unblocking the account, only to syphon off the funds. Additionally, scammers are increasingly using fake stock trading apps to cheat unsuspecting individuals.

City Top Cop Seema Latkar

The Commissioner detailed the methods used by these cyber criminals, explaining that they often create groups on various social media platforms, adding members at random. Once gullible individuals read the messages in these groups, fraudsters reach out, promising to double their money or offering high returns on investments in stocks and shares.

"If anyone shows interest, they are asked to click a link sent to their mobile to download an app and are then guided to invest money. Initially, the victim may receive some 'virtual' returns to build trust, and the app may display rapid growth in the invested amount," she explained.

"Enticed by this apparent fast growth, victims are lured into making additional investments. The victims usually realise they have been scammed after two to three weeks when the fraudsters demand more money to release the funds," the City Top Cop added.

(See CYBER on page 5)

Formation of Chamundi Temple Authority

State prays to vacate stay; HC posts matter for Sept. 5

Bengaluru, Aug. 27 (BCT)- The Karnataka High Court (HC), on Sept. 5, will hear the issue of temporary stay on the State Government order constituting Sri Chamundeshwari Hill Temple Development Authority (formed as per Shree Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority Act, 2024) to undertake integrated development of Chamundi Hill.

Justice Hemanth Chandangoudar adjourned the hearing to Sept. 5 after hearing the issue on Aug. 22 and asked the State Government and the petitioners to file their responses by then.

The erstwhile Mysore royal family has objected to the State Government's enactment of Shree Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority Act, 2024 saying that it is unconstitutional.

(See STAY on page 6)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 27th August 2024

Celebration Mysore
Marathon on Sept. 1
Register names before Aug. 29

Mysuru, Aug. 27- Life is Calling, a Sports Management Company, will be organising the 14th edition of Celebration Mysore Marathon in city on Sept.1 (Sunday).

The Marathon will be flagged off at 5.30 am from the Balarama Gate of Mysore Palace.

The event comprises 30-km Run, 21 kms Half Marathon, 10 kms Run for participants who are 16 years and above and 5 kms Run / Walk for those in the age 11 years and above.

The 30-km Run, 21 kms Half Marathon, 10 kms Run are competitive categories with the participants expected from all over the country. The 5 kms Celebration Fun Run / Walk is a non-competitive category to encourage participants from across Karnataka.

The event will also promote fitness, Green Mysuru and Say No To Drugs.

Those interested may register their names by logging into *www.eventzalley.com* or over Mob: 96066-22006 or via e-mail: *contact@lifeiscalling-sports.com* before Aug. 29.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

FOOD SECURITY, NUTRITION REMAIN CONCERNS: ***The State of Food Security and Nutrition report of the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) highlights the continuing challenges faced by the world in eradicating hunger and malnutrition. On the whole, world has lost some of the gains it had made, and the levels of undernourishment now are comparable to that in 2008-2009. Global hunger levels have remained the same for three consecutive years; large numbers of people continue to face food insecurity and malnutrition. The report emphasises the need to transform and strengthen agri-food systems, address inequalities, and ensure access to affordable and healthy diets for all. It also calls for increased and more cost-effective financing systems for food security and nutrition. It has noted the impact of global conflict, climatic vagaries and economic slowdown on food and nutrition requirements.***

Though there are positives about India, the report also shows some areas of concern. Hunger in India declined from 21.4% of the population in 2004-06 to 13.7 per cent in 2021-23. India made progress when the proportion of undernourished and hungry people has increased or remained stagnant globally. The proportion of the population suffering from food insecurity, stunting and low birth weight has gone down in the country in recent years. The prevalence of exclusive breastfeeding among infants has gone up by 17 percentage points. But India still has the highest prevalence of wasting and anaemia in South Asia. The budgetary allocations for nutritional outcomes has seen only a marginal increase and those for Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0 programme have seen a decline. Much of the credit for access to food goes to the distribution of free food grains under the National Food Security Act, and that is a big shield against deprivation for a large segment of the population.

One major problem that limits access to nutrition is lack of affordability. The cost of a healthy diet has consistently increased in the country. About 56 per cent of the population could not afford a healthy diet in 2022. But the number of obese and overweight children has also increased. The report says that the proportion of overweight children increased from 2.2 per cent to 2.8 per cent between 2012 and 2022. —*In Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man stung 240 times by swarm of wasps

Brecon: A man who was stung 240 times by a swarm of wasps said that his local hospital saved his life.

Andrew Powell, a festival organiser who lives near Brecon, Powys, said he was in "agony" after he was stung on Sunday.

The 57-year-old said that he had just returned from a bike ride and was feeding the chickens when the wasps "swarmed at [him]".

"By the time I got to my back gate, which is probably four seconds, I was covered. I ran up the steps into my bungalow, into the bathroom, put the shower on and the bathroom was full of wasps. My wife Gina was throwing buckets of water on them, trying to get them off me. Shower's on full and she said my back was just a carpet of wasps," he said.

Powell said his local minor injuries unit "100%" saved his life, along with his friend who answered his call to take him there. "Otherwise, I wouldn't have got there in the car I don't think, because I was going in and out of consciousness," he added.

Postcard dating back 121 years finally delivered

Swansea: When staff at a building society in Swansea received their mail on Friday, they were surprised by what they discovered.

In among their usual savings and mortgage-related deliveries was a postcard dating back more than 120 years.

Swansea Building Society celebrated its 100th anniversary last year, but the card predates its establishment by another couple of decades.

Henry Darby, the society's marketing and communications officer said, "It's a little bit spooky, I'm not a huge fan of touching it because it feels like an antique. It feels like it needs to be in Perspex or something."

HEALTH CAPSULE

The 24 hour urine collection test may show that you are excreting too many stone forming minerals or too few stone preventing substances.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T P - Consultant - Urology and Andrology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Selected for India Book of Records

Mohan Krishna

Mysuru, Aug. 27- Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna, Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Mysuru, has been selected for India Book of Records (IBR).

Being a faculty for 20 years, his name has been selected for highest number of National and International awards, research publications, highest number of membership in professional bodies, editorial board member for over 200 International Journals, delivering over 1,000 talks, book publication, 2,000 online certifications and publishing over 3,000 scientific articles.

The IBR Convocation is scheduled to be held on Sept. 14 at Faridabad, New Delhi.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **123.74 feet**	Today's level **2,282.33 feet**	Today's level **2,858.43 feet**
Last year's level **102.00 feet**	Last year's level **2,274.29 feet**	Last year's level **2,857.64 feet**
Yesterday's level **123.72 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,282.30 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,858.14 feet**
Today's Inflow **4,695 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **2,684 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **1,918 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **4,189 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **2,350 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **750 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Dras is the world's second largest coldest inhabited place: Located about 37 miles from Kargil, Dras is also known as 'The Gateway to Ladakh' and is the second coldest inhabited place in the world.*
- *Elephants played an important role in building the Taj Mahal. As per the reports, nearly 1000 elephants were used to transfer the construction material from one place to another during that time.*
- *Natwarlal was a popular Indian conman well-known for having repeatedly sold the Taj Mahal. He was later sentenced to 133 years of imprisonment and yet managed to escape the prison nearly 9 times. Natwarlal is majorly considered to be the greatest conman in the history of India.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Rakesh: How come you are so clever?
Rishi: I take tablets to become clever.
Rakesh: Will you spare a few for me?
Rishi: (giving him some): Here, take these.
Rakesh: (After popping one into his mouth) But they're toffees.
Rishi: See, they've already started working!

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.94
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 110.89
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.85
1 Euro	= Rs. 93.73

VOICE OF THE READER

Karnataka MPs in Parliament

Three of them spoke well in the House

Sir,

I had the opportunity to listen to speeches in Parliament. Three members, all representing Karnataka, spoke — two elected and one nominated to the Rajya Sabha. These were Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, Dr. C.N. Manjunath and Dr. Sudha Murty.

Yaduveer and Dr. Manjunath were elected to the Lok Sabha, while Dr. Sudha Murty was a nominated member of the Rajya Sabha.

Yaduveer spoke with dignity about creating more educational facilities. Dr. Manjunath spoke with serious concern highlighting 13 percent death rate from road accidents, advocating for a 300-bed poly-trauma centre at NIMHANS in Bengaluru and similar trauma centres every 125-km on highways to save lives during the crucial Golden Hour.

Dr. Sudha Murty passionately called for several monuments across India to be recognised as World Heritage Sites and emphasised the need to improve facilities for tourists.

The most striking aspect of their speeches was that, unlike the usual noise and disruptions that often plague Parliamentary discussions, their ideas were heard in silence — a testament to the high quality of their articulation that makes Karnataka proud.

But here's the tragic part: Whether it's Victoria Hospital in Bengaluru or K.R. Hospital in Mysuru, the situation is abysmal, with no accountability. This is just the tip of the iceberg and the less said about our medical infrastructure across Karnataka, the better. Our fatalistic outlook has allowed unethical practices and corruption to thrive.

Similarly, in education, media reports reveal how our schools lack basic facilities, cleanliness, sufficient teachers and adequate classrooms. A sea change is needed to bring about reform, but the moot question remains: Is there political will?

—H.R. Bapu Satyanarayana
Saraswathipuram
17.8.2024

NOTE: *The correspondent does not say where the suggested "sea change" is needed to bring about the reform to correct the "abysmal situation" in government hospitals, education, policing etc. Look how government officers insist on private schools and colleges to follow the rules, including providing the fire safety measures, fire extinguisher, costing lakhs of rupees. But do we find any government school provided with this facility?*

And then the private schools have to obtain a building stability certificate and also renew it once in 5 years. ***These are two guaranteed windows for corruption.***

Are the government school buildings stable? Have we not seen some government schools and colleges collapsing in parts and roof ceiling coming down? In fact, government schools and hospitals should be a model to private players.

In our State, rules and regulations are enforceable only to private operators, not government institutions or PSUs.—**Ed**

Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji's Jayanti

Suttur Mutt donates Rs. 1 lakh to feed Zoo animals

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (TRR)- To commemorate the 109th birth anniversary of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji on Aug. 25, Suttur Mutt donated a cheque for Rs.1 lakh to the Executive Director of Mysuru Zoo D. Mahesh Kumar towards the maintenance and feeding of Zoo animals and birds. The cheque was presented by JSS Mahavidyapeetha Secretary S. Shivakumaraswamy.

Speaking after receiving the cheque, Mahesh Kumar lauded Suttur Mutt for its donation every year on the occasion of Dr. Rajendra Mahaswamiji's birth anniversary to feed animals and birds and called it as exemplary.

Jayanti Mahotsava Samiti Convenor Prof. R. Mugeshappa, B. Niranjanamurthy, Gopalagowda Hospital's Dr. H.V. Santhrupth & Zoo staff were present.

MP Yaduveer Wadiyar urged to address coffee growers' plight

A delegation of Kodagu Samrakshana Vedike seen with Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar and Pramoda Devi Wadiyar in Mysuru yesterday.

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (BCT)- The Kodagu Samrakshana Vedike raised serious concerns about the Robusta coffee growers being deprived of fair market prices, aligning with international standards.

The Vedike members called on Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar and Pramoda Devi Wadiyar in Mysuru yesterday and discussed the pressing challenges faced by coffee growers in the region.

The delegation highlighted the disparity in market prices for robusta coffee in Kodagu, even when international market conditions are favourable. The local coffee planters have been deprived of fair market prices, a situation that has caused growing frustration among the growers.

Despite coffee being the second largest traded commodity after petroleum, the issues faced by coffee growers, especially in Kodagu, the country's largest coffee-producing district, remain neglected, they said.

In response, a detailed discussion was held, leading to a decision to escalate the issue to the Union Minister of Commerce. According to Vedike President Chottekmada Rajeev Bopaiah, Yaduveer Wadiyar assured the delegation that the issue would be escalated to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. He also mentioned plans to arrange a meeting between the Union Commerce Minister and the Vedike delegation to work towards a lasting solution.

Human-animal conflict

Another significant issue raised during the meeting was the ongoing human-wildlife conflict in Kodagu, which poses a severe threat to the coffee industry.

In response, Wadiyar informed the delegation that he had already consulted with the Government on this matter. He assured the Vedike members that efforts would be made to expedite the implementation of solutions, such as the proposed 280 km railway track barricade project aimed at reducing animal intrusions into coffee plantations.

Regarding the severe crop losses due to heavy rains, the MP acknowledged the significant damage this season and informed that a crop damage survey is already underway.

Crop insurance

The Vedike also pushed for the implementation of crop insurance for coffee, highlighting that despite being a major foreign exchange earner, coffee lacks insurance coverage. The MP promised to raise this issue at the upcoming coffee conference in Bengaluru, where a separate forum will be established to find solutions.

Vedike members including Jammada Ganesh Ayyanna, Machamada Anish Madappa, Pandyanda Girish, Mallamada Prabhu Poonacha, Annira Harish Madappa, Ulluvangada Loith Thimmaiah and Kechamada Vishwas were present.

Centre to boost coffee growers with Rs. 308 crore aid package

Chikkamagalur, Aug. 27 (Agencies)- The Union Commerce Ministry has announced a significant boost for coffee growers with a grant of Rs. 307.80 crore.

This aid, channelled through the Coffee Board, aims to provide much-needed support to the coffee industry in the region. It will provide coffee planters with access to subsidies for plantation development.

According to Coffee Board President Dinesh Devabrinda, the grant has increased by 36 percent compared to the previous year. In 2022-23, Rs. 228.23 crore was allocated, while in 2023-24, the amount was raised to Rs. 307.80 crore.

Package highlights

Key highlights of the aid package include subsidies for machinery and infrastructure,

an education fund for workers' children and support for coffee community initiatives.

Dinesh Devabrinda said that the eligibility criteria for subsidies have been expanded, raising the limit from 10 hectares to 40 hectares.

Coffee planters can now receive subsidies for a range of purposes, including the development of drying yards, warehouses, pulper units and coffee bean drying machines. Additionally, subsidies are available for establishing open wells, constructing tanks, installing sprinkler and drip irrigation systems, and upgrading machinery in coffee curing units.

"Our goal is to support growers by providing subsidies to increase the quantity and quality of coffee produced," he said.

Damage survey

In collaboration with the Revenue Department, the Coffee Board will conduct a survey to assess damage to coffee plantations, with compensation to be provided to those with damage exceeding 33 percent.

To improve education for the children of coffee plantation workers, the Government has allocated Rs. 4 crore for scholarships. Additionally, 17 committees have been formed following the recent coffee community meeting to explore ways to increase coffee production.

NEWS BRIEFS

'Saptaratrotsava' at Uttaradi Mutt

As part of Dhanvantari Jayanti, 'Saptaratrotsava,' a seven-day rituals, will take place at Uttaradi Mutt's Rogamochana Sri Dhanvantari Sannidhana in Agrahara (Khille Mohalla) from Aug. 30 to Sept. 5. The event will feature a discourse from 6 pm to 7 pm on all the days, followed by Vahanotsava, Mahamangalarati and other rituals from 7 pm onwards. For details, contact Mob: 94481-47459.

Story writing competition

As part of noted novelist Triveni's birth anniversary, Lekhika Sahitya Vedike, Mysuru, has organised a story writing competition based on psychological themes. Interested writers should send their stories not exceeding 6 to 10 pages, by e-mail: ***shylajasuresh@gmail.com***, before Sept. 25. The best stories will be rewarded with a cash prize and a certificate. The prize-winning stories will be published in 'Sahitya Sakhi' newspaper. For more details, contact Mob: 99163-78955.

Triveni

Annual General Body Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of the city's Sri Gurumalleshwara Graduates Credit Co-operative Society (Mysuru-Chamarajanagar district limits) will be held at Sri Nataraja Kalyana Mantapa in Khille Mohalla, Mysuru, at 11 am on Sept. 1, according to a press release from the Co-operative Society.

Yogasana and Meditation classes

Sri Pathanjali Yoga Shikshana Samithi (SPYSS), Mysuru Branch, will be conducting a 45-day free Yogasana, Pranayama and Meditation (Dhyana) Classes at Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala in Saraswathipuram from Sept. 2. The classes will be held from 6 am to 7 am daily. Interested may contact Mob: 99457-59762 or 80508-07887.

Natl. Conference on 'Applications of AI'

National Conference 2.0 on 'Applications of AI in Engineering Field' has been organised by Innovation Cell & Alumni Association, JSS Polytechnic, Mysuru, on Sept. 4. Participants from all Polytechnics from across India are expected to participate in the Conference. For details, contact Mob: 96326-85475 or 96113-92364.

AI-based speed cameras on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway

Motorists use camera detector app to duck penalties, FIR

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (BLU&KS)- In a blend of ingenuity and technology, some motorists on the Bengaluru-Mysuru Access-Controlled Highway (National Highway 275) are using a mobile app to dodge penalties and avoid having a First Information Report (FIR) filed against them.

The app in question, 'Radar Speed Camera Detector,' identifies speed cameras installed along the Highway, allowing drivers to slow down just in time to escape fines.

The Police have set a speed limit of 100 kmph on the Highway, bolstered by the installation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) cameras designed to catch overspeeding vehicles.

These cameras have been installed following numerous accidents that have claimed hundreds of lives since the road opened in March 2023. The Highway now has a stricter speed limit of 100 kmph, with frequent lane changes also under scrutiny by the AI cameras.

Despite these measures, tech-savvy motorists have found a workaround. The 'Radar Speed Camera Detector' app alerts drivers to the presence of AI cameras from a safe distance, prompting them to reduce their speed to the legal limit as they approach. Once they pass the camera, they resume speeding until the app signals another camera ahead.

The Highway is equipped with 60 AI cameras, each capable of detecting vehicles exceeding 80 kmph or changing lanes recklessly. Offenders caught by these cameras face a fine of Rs. 1,000. However, with the advent of the camera detection app, many motorists are managing to evade these penalties by slowing down only near the AI cameras.

The new traffic rules, effective from Aug. 1, include the provision for registering an FIR against drivers caught exceeding 130 kmph. As the Police enforce these rules strictly, the use of such apps has become increasingly popular among motorists looking to avoid fines while continuing to drive at dangerous speeds between cameras.

Despite its popularity, users of the 'Radar Speed Camera Detector' app have pointed out its limitations. Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, app users shared that while the basic version of the app is free to download, it offers only limited features.

To access more reliable and comprehensive detection services, users must pay for premium services within the app. They noted that the free version often falls short, failing to provide consistent protection against AI camera detections.

May not be as effective: ADGP Alok Kumar

Commenting on the issue, Additional Director General of Police (ADGP), Traffic and Road Safety, Alok Kumar has clarified that the app may not be as effective as drivers believe.

According to him, AI cameras on the Highway are capable of calculating a vehicle's overall speed, based on the time taken to traverse the Highway, rendering the app's temporary slowdown tactic futile.

Motorists caught overspeeding receive notifications via e-mail and SMS. However, those using the detection app claim they haven't received any notices so far, posing a new challenge for law enforcement. The increasing use of technology to flout traffic rules has become a significant headache for the Police.

Despite these issues, the ADGP emphasised that the installation of AI cameras has led to a noticeable reduction in the accident rate. Fearing penalties, most motorists are now more cautious and are reducing their speed.

He also pointed out that only a minority of drivers are found violating the rules, suggesting that the AI cameras are effectively deterring dangerous driving behaviours.

40 more cameras

Currently, 60 AI cameras monitor the Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway, but plans are underway to increase this number to 100. This enhancement will reduce the distance between cameras, compelling motorists to adhere to speed limits consistently.

Metal Detector to keep Dasara elephants under check

Forest Department personnel frisk the foot of the jumbos to check for metal objects if any

The Forest Department personnel inspecting the foot of a Dasara elephant, with a Metal Detector, at Palace premises yesterday.

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (MTY&BS)- Following the suspicion of metal pieces getting into the foot of Dasara elephants during the regular practice, the Forest Department personnel frisked the foot of the elephants with a Hand Held Metal Detector on Monday.

This follows the concerns sparked by the condition of elephant Kanjan, which was noticed limping, when the first batch of nine Dasara elephants were taken out for checking their weight on Saturday. Though Kanjan was examined on the spot, no nails or metal pieces were detected in its foot. The elephant was put to test again even after returning to the Palace.

Following the suspicion of stomach related issues, the rest was recommended, exempting the elephant from the practice on Sunday. As a precautionary measure, all the remaining eight elephants were also scanned for metal pieces, if any, in their foot on Monday. However, no such objects were found, much to the relief of Forest officials.

The elephants are being taken out for regular practice to acclimatise them with *Jumboo Savari* route since Sunday. They are taken only till either Government Ayurveda Medical College and Hospital Circle or Highway Circle. On Monday morning, the elephants covered 2.5 km distance and in the evening, 4.1 km distance.

Till previous year, a vehicle with automatic magnetic nail removal bar fitted on its rear was moving ahead of the elephants, to attract metal objects if any, clearing the path for the pachyderms. For the first time, a metal detector is being put to use daily after the practice session, said DCF (Wildlife), Mysuru Division, Dr. I.B. Prabhugowda.

Explaining about the benefits of deploying Metal Detector, DCF Prabhugowda said, if any metal objects get into the foot of the elephants, it may lead to a grave wound, affecting their easy movement. At times, the elephants walk amid pain. To avoid such hassles, this metal detector comes in handy, he added.

Four arrested for house burglary, chain snatching; 85 cases solved

Gold, silver, cars, two-wheelers, ganja, pistols, live bullets worth Rs. 45 lakh seized

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, along with DCPs M. Muthuraj and S. Jahnavi, CCB ACP S.N. Sandesh Kumar and others looking at the valuables recovered from the four accused which were displayed at the City Police Commissioner's Office in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (RK&KS)- The City Crime Branch (CCB) Police have made significant progress in combating crime by arresting four individuals involved in 85 criminal cases, including chain snatchings, house burglaries and vehicle thefts.

The operation has led to the recovery of substantial amounts of gold, silver, cars and two-wheelers, alongside the seizure of pistols, ammunition, narcotics and mobile phones, with a total value of Rs. 45 lakh.

Addressing a press conference at her office in Nazarbad yesterday, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar detailed the operation's success.

On June 6, 2024, a burglary occurred at a residence in Shyadanahalli, Metagalli Police limits, where thieves made off with gold ornaments valued at Rs. 11.4 lakh. A special police team, led by CCB ACP S.N. Sandesh Kumar, was immediately formed to tackle the case.

The team arrested one of the burglars on July 16 on Shivaji Road in N.R. Mohalla. During interrogation, the suspect admitted to his involvement in the burglary and identified three accomplices. He also revealed that they had committed similar crimes in Mysuru and other areas.

Following this lead, the CCB team managed to arrest the remaining three suspects on Aug. 21 near the KIADB Office on KRS Road. Out of the four arrested individuals, three were linked to 11 cases across Mysuru city and district.

The police's diligent work led to the recovery of 551 grams of gold ornaments, 1.4 kg of silver articles, two cars, and three two-wheelers. Additionally, two pistols, live ammunition, two mobile phones, an iron rod, a screwdriver and two pairs of gloves used for criminal activities were seized.

The arrests have led to the resolution of five house burglary cases in Mysuru city, one case each in Mysuru and Mandya districts, one extortion case each in Mysuru and Mandya districts, and one vehicle theft case each in Mysuru and Bengaluru districts.

One of the suspects had 36 criminal cases registered against him across various districts, another had 17 cases, and a third was involved in a ganja case, with 4.66 kg of ganja, a pistol and a car seized from him.

All four suspects had been released on bail on April 27, 2024, and were involved in 11 cases since their release. The suspects include three from Mysuru and one from Shivamogga. The Police are continuing their investigation to locate the person who sold the pistol and the ganja.

Seema Latkar emphasised the importance of ongoing investigations and preventive measures and said that the identities of the arrested has been kept confidential in the interests of investigation.

The operation was overseen by DCPs M. Muthuraj (Law and Order) and S. Jahnavi (Crime and Traffic), along with CCB staff including Inspectors M. Mohankumar, Maruthi Antharagatti, ASIs Asgar Khan, M.R. Ganesh, and Ramegowda, along with staff Prakash, Ramaswamy, Jayaram, Uma Mahesh, Suresh, Mahesh, Narasimharaju, Ravi, Govinda, Shivanna, K. Mahesh, C.N. Ravi and Mamatha.

Rs. 32 cr. lost to cyber criminals

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Businessmen, professionals, Government servants, etc., have all fallen into this fake trading app scam by investing large sums of money. Several victims had transferred upwards of Rs. 50 lakh and up to Rs. 1 crore, she said.

Misguiding the gullible

Even though trading requires an investor to open a demat account, the fraudsters have convinced the victims about their procedures, she said while adding that the victims lodging complaints with the Police had not opened any demat accounts.

Commissioner Latkar also warned against the 'part-time job' scam, where fraudsters lure people into giving positive ratings to hotels and restaurants online. Once a person shows interest, the fraudsters display fake receipts of payments made to others and then convince the victim to enrol by making a payment, only to defraud them later.

13 'digital arrest' cases this year

The city has also seen 23 'digital arrest' cases, including 13 reported between January and July this year. In these cases, fraudsters impersonate law enforcement officials, calling potential victims to inform them that a parcel in their name containing drugs has been intercepted. They then demand money transfers, threatening to file an FIR if the payment is not made.

Commissioner Latkar urged the public to stay vigilant and avoid falling prey to such cyber crimes. She advised residents to call the Cyber Helpline No. 1930 or contact the Cyber, Economics and Narcotics (CEN) Crime Police Station immediately if they encounter any suspicious activity.

Retired RBI MD's house burgled

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Following the theft, Ravikumar lodged a complaint with the Vijayanagar Police. Inspector S.D. Suresh Kumar and his team rushed to the scene, conducted a mahazar and registered a case.

Reviewing the CCTV footage, the Police saw two burglars entering the gate before one of them damaged the front camera. The footage from the rear camera showed three burglars before it went blank.

DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi and Vijayanagar Sub-Division ACP S.G. Gajendra Prasad also visited the house. The Vijayanagar Police have collected CCTV footage from cameras in the vicinity and have launched a hunt to arrest the burglars.

Obituary

Nidumanda Mani Appaiah

Mysuru, Aug. 27- Nidumanda Mani Appaiah (78), husband of late Vimala (Ajjamada) and a resident of No. 331, 5th Cross, Banker's Colony, behind Ganapathy Temple in Bogadi, passed away yesterday in city.

A native of Kolakeri village in Napoklu, he leaves behind sons Wing Commander Sandesh Appaiah and Dr. Hitesh Appaiah and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage tomorrow at 10.30 am.

Kullegowda

Kullegowda (88), a resident of Saraswathipuram, passed away last night following a heart attack.

He had retired as a Senior Auditor at Local Audit Circle and was serving as the Secretary of Kuvempunagar Nagarika Vedike.

A native of Harave Kallahalli of Hunsur taluk, he leaves behind three daughters, two sons, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Kullegowda's body, which is now kept at a hospital mortuary, will be brought to his residence tomorrow (Aug. 28) at 8 am and last rites will be performed at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds in city at 1.30 pm after the arrival of his son from abroad.

Syed Sameer Ahmed

Syed Sameer Ahmed (49), Transport Operator and a resident of No. 118, 5th Cross, KEB Colony in Udayagiri, passed away at a private hospital in city yesterday.

Namaz-e-janaza was held today at Masjid-e-Ya-Allah, opposite to Government Guest House after Zohar (1.30 pm), followed by burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Anusuya Sathyanarayana

Anusuya Sathyanarayana (78), a resident of Ramakrishnanagar 'K' Block, passed away following prolonged illness in city.

She leaves behind daughter Sharvari, son-in-law Jagadish, son Ganesh and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds yesterday.

G.J. Jaiprakash

G.J. Jaiprakash (80), retired engineer, Vice-President of Vokkaliga Welfare Association and a resident of T.K. Layout, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind two sons, daughters-in-law, grand children and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Kuvempunagar Burial Grounds yesterday evening, according to a family source.

Four years on, mobile phone jammer defunct

Glaring loopholes in checking mobile phones at Mysuru Central Prison sparks concern

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (BLU&BS)- It's been four years since the mobile phone jammer installed at Mysuru Central Prison stopped working and despite the growing need for stringent security measures, no action has been taken to restore it. The importance of a functioning mobile jammer has become particularly evident in light of a recent incident at Parappana Agrahara Central Prison in Bengaluru.

There, a prisoner was caught on a video call with a friend outside, all while housed in the same cell as Sandalwood actor Darshan Thoogudeepa, who is currently detained in connection with the murder of Renukaswamy of Chitradurga. The video, now viral, also shows Darshan engaging in conversation.

The mobile phone jammer at Mysuru Central Prison, which once had the capability to block 2G and 3G frequencies, has been out of service for years. The jail authorities' inaction to repair the device has rendered it obsolete, especially with the cellular network's shift to 5G technology. Even if repaired, the outdated jammer would be ineffective against the modern network.

In a bizarre twist, while the jammer at Parappana Agrahara Central Prison is operational, it has failed to prevent inmates from maintaining regular contact with the outside world, including video calls. This raises serious concerns about the security within these facilities.

Given the lack of a functioning mobile jammer, it is unrealistic to believe that inmates at Mysuru Central Prison do not have access to cell phones. Previous raids by the City Crime Branch (CCB) Police have uncovered several cell phones within the prison, highlighting severe security lapses.

Proposal sent to Government

Chief Superintendent of Mysuru Central Prison, Ramesh, informed *Star of Mysore* that a proposal for installing a 5G mobile jammer has been submitted to the Government.

This proposal also addressed the current jammer's defunct status, but there has been no response from the Government so far. Despite this, Ramesh assured that measures have been implemented to prevent the covert introduction of mobile phones into the prison.

Mysuru Central Prison, with a capacity to house 560 inmates, currently holds 810 prisoners. In cases of overcrowding, about 50 inmates are transferred to other jails to ease the pressure on the facility. However, there are no current plans to construct a new jail building, Ramesh added.

Constructed in 1973

The existing Mysuru Central Prison, constructed in 1973 near Fountain Circle on Ashoka Road, covers a vast 20-acre area.

It includes separate five-acre barracks for male and female prisoners, offices of the Chief Superintendent of Prisons and other staff inside a 21-ft.-tall compound wall. The Prison Training School is located outside the main compound.

When built, the prison's design reflected the crime rate of five decades ago. However, as crime rates grew over the years, the number of inmates has grown significantly, putting additional strain on the facility meant to accommodate both under-trials and convicted prisoners.

Police raid prison

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A strong contingent of 138 Police personnel, led by DCP (Law and Order) M. Muthuraj and DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi, conducted the raid. The team included sniffer dogs from the crime and narcotics squads and a Commando team. They divided into groups and meticulously searched every corner of the prison cells located in various barracks.

To prevent the possible disposal of prohibited items over the prison's high walls, as has occurred in past raids, a security team of 50 Policemen was stationed outside the jail. However, no such incidents were reported during today's operation.

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar told *Star of Mysore*, "As a precautionary measure, the raid was conducted on Central Prison, but nothing was found during the search operation. It is our duty to conduct frequent raids to ensure normalcy."

The raid also saw the participation of senior officers including ACP of Vijayanagar Sub-Division Gajendra Prasad, ACP of Krishnaraja Sub-Division Ramesh Kumar, ACP of Narasimharaja Sub-Division C.K. Ashwathnarayan, ACP of Devaraja Sub-Division Shanthamallappa, Mandi Police Inspector Nagesh, Narasimharaja Police Inspector Lakshmikanth Talawar, Devaraja Police Inspector Shivakumar, Vijayanagar Inspector S.D. Suresh Kumar and Lashkar Police Inspector Diwakar.

Similar raids were conducted in jails across the State, including those in Chamarajanagar, Mandya, Hassan, Ramanagar, and other districts.

SIM cards, knives found earlier

In a similar raid on Mysuru Central Prison on Feb. 6 this year, Police had seized SIM cards, two knives, mobile phone chargers and some cash from the cells. However, no lethal weapons or drugs were found during that operation.

State prays to vacate stay

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The Authority aims to consolidate absolute control of the State over the Chamundeshwari Temple built by the erstwhile Mysore royal family. Member of the royal family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar filed a Writ Petition (WP 19807/2024) in the High Court challenging this law and hearing the Writ Petition in August second week, the High Court issued a temporary stay.

Appearing for the State on Aug. 22, Additional Advocate General N. Devadas told the Court that based on Pramoda Devi Wadiyar's plea, the Court granted an interim stay not to constitute the Authority till Aug. 26. However, the Authority came into force on 1.7.2024 after the Bill was passed in the State Assembly in February this year. As such, the stay must be vacated, Devadas argued.

"The State Government had issued the Gazette Notification on June 28 to constitute the Authority and it came into force on July 1. KAS Officer M.J. Roopa has been appointed as the Authority's Secretary. As such, the interim stay issued by the High Court has to be vacated," he told the Court.

However, the advocate appearing for the petitioner appealed to the Court to again issue an interim stay beyond Aug. 26, or extend the earlier stay order. The Court asked the Advocate General to file their objections and posted the hearing for Sept. 5. On the issue of interim stay, the Court told the State and the petitioner that the issue will be taken up on Sept.5.

Portion of temple built on Raja Kaluve cleared

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (SBD&DM)- The Taluk Administration on Monday cleared a part of Swamy Koragajja Temple which had encroached Raja Kaluve.

Acting on a complaint that the Raja Kaluve, which ran adjacent to an agricultural farm in Survey No. 60 of Kergalli village in Jayapura hobli of the taluk, was encroached, Mysuru Assistant Commissioner (AC) K.R. Rakshith directed Tahsildar K.M. Mahesh Kumar to take action in this regard, following which the land was measured, when the encroachment of Raja Kaluve was discovered.

Mysuru Assistant Commissioner K.R. Rakshith and Tahsildar K.M. Mahesh Kumar supervising the encroachment clearance drive in Kergalli yesterday.

Upon getting confirmed of the encroachment, the clearance drive was carried out under the leadership of AC Rakshith and Tahsildar Mahesh yesterday, during which a portion of Swamy Koragajja Temple was cleared.

The encroachment clearance drive was carried out under tight Police security.

Jayapura Deputy Tahsildar Ningappa, Revenue Inspector Lohith and other officials were present at the spot.

MP, MLA inspect dilapidated Fire Station building

Yaduveer moots conservation, Harishgowda wants to rebuild structure

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar (pic. left) and Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda seen separately inspecting Fire Station building in Saraswathipuram here yesterday.

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (MK&BS)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar and Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda carried out separate inspection visits to the Fire Station at Saraswathipuram in the city yesterday.

A portion of the Fire Station building collapsed five years ago due to heavy rains, but no steps have been taken yet to restore the heritage structure.

Both the public representatives, who collected information about the present status of the structure, directed the officers concerned to prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR).

While Wadiyar stressed to focus on the conservation aspects of the building, Harishgowda favoured construction of a new building, it is said.

Prof. N.S. Rangaraju, a heritage expert, Chief Fire Officer P.S. Jayaramaiah, Regional Fire Officer P. Chandan, District Fire Officer K.P. Gururaj and Fire Station Officer S. Nagaraj Urs were present.

Five years have elapsed since the front portion of the building collapsed, but confusion prevails among the officers whether to rebuild or conserve the structure.

To corroborate the inexplicable situation, the apprehensive Fire Station personnel yesterday told *Star of Mysore*, "While the local MLA wants to build a new structure, the MP is firm on conservation of the heritage building. Following the indecisiveness, we have to work for another two to three years, with the fear looming large."

Why focus only on Darshan: Sumalatha questions media

Sumalatha

Bengaluru, Aug. 27 (BCT)- Former Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish has criticised the media's focus on the VIP treatment received by Kannada actor and murder accused Darshan Thoogudeepa.

Speaking to reporters here this morning, she questioned, "Is this the first time such incidents are happening in jails? How long has this been going on? Why is it being highlighted now? The media has not reported on these issues before. Why is it now that Darshan's involvement is being portrayed as a major scandal? Is it fair to single him out as a culprit?"

Sumalatha also pointed out that when IPS Officer D. Roopa raised concerns about VIP treatment in jails, the media did not give it adequate attention or question the practice.

"This problem is not confined to Bengaluru jail alone. Moreover, Darshan is speaking to other jail inmates. Not anyone else from outside," the former Mandya MP added.

KPSC exam for gazetted probationers held

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (RK&DM)- The competitive exam for appointment of Gazetted Probationers (Group A and B) conducted by the Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC) was held today at 11 centres across the city, amid tight Police security.

Despite the demand by various quarters for the postponement of the exam, the KPSC went ahead with the conduct of the exam, for which over 2.5 lakh candidates have registered.

In Mysuru, the exam was held at 11 centres. While the first paper was held in the morning session (10 am to 12 noon), the second paper was held in the afternoon session (2 pm to 4 pm). The question papers were despatched from the District Treasury to the exam centres in 4 assigned routes, under tight Police security. Police had clamped prohibitory orders in 200 mt. radius around all the exam centres for smooth conduct of the exam.

Advocates demand implementation of SC order on internal reservation

Senior Advocate S. Arun Kumar seen addressing media persons at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city this morning as others look on.

Mysuru, Aug. 27 (BLU&DM)- City-based Samajika Nyayapara Vakilara Vedike (Advocates Forum) has urged the State Government to implement the recent Supreme Court (SC) order on inner reservation.

Addressing a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here this morning, senior Advocate S. Arun Kumar said that a SC Bench headed by CJI D.Y. Chandrachud permitted the States to create sub-classifications within the SC and ST categories for the purpose of according wider protections through fixed sub-quotas to the most backward communities within these categories. But some Dalit organisations in the State, who apparently owe allegiance to the ruling Congress, have opposed the SC ruling for their own selfish ends, he said and demanded implementation of Justice A.J. Sadashiva Commission Report, which Report was based after studying the inputs received from a survey of 20.5 lakh families.

Lashing out at those opposing the SC ruling which gives a fair quota to marginalised sections within the SC/ST communities, Arun Kumar said that the opposition to the ruling by noted advocate Prof. Ravivarma Kumar, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies Centres Director Dr. S. Somashekar and other Dalit leaders were one-sided ones. He said that a complaint has been filed with the Governor against those who are acting behind the scenes to stall implementation of SC ruling on inner reservation.

Maintaining that the Advocates Forum would launch an intensive campaign demanding immediate implementation of inner reservation, he accused the State Government of acting against inner reservation. Alleging that the Congress is carrying out a false propaganda against the SC ruling, Arun Kumar urged the State Government not to fillup any backlog vacancies until SC ruling is implemented in full.

Reiterating the demand for implementation of SC ruling on internal reservation, he warned of filing a contempt of court case against the State Government and the others concerned if the inner reservation is not introduced as per SC order.

Referring to the ongoing probe into the multi-crore MUDA sites allotment scam, he questioned the seriousness of the probe as no FIR has been filed thus far. Wondering how a probe can happen in the absence of any FIRs, he demanded that FIRs be filed immediately against all those who are *prima facie* found to be involved in the massive scam.

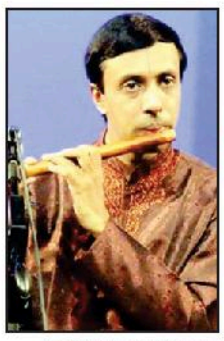
He warned that he would lodge a complaint with City Police Commissioner tomorrow seeking registration of FIRs in the MUDA scam and a fair probe against all those responsible for the scam.

Advocates Dasaiah, Shivakumar and Rajendra were present at the press meet.

Art Karat Jewellery expo

The two-day Art Karat Jewellery exhibition to showcase its handcrafted 'Lakshmi' collection was inaugurated at Hotel Southern Star in Mysuru this morning. The expo will be open between 11 am and 8 pm today and tomorrow. Seen in the picture are (from left) chief guests Asha Divyesh and Nivedita Ravishankar, Krupa Sumanth of Impressionz and Art Karat designers.

Sushira's 23rd Annual Music Festival from tomorrow


Vid. Vamshidhar

Vidu. Vipanchee & Vidu. Mahatee Raghuram

Dr. Srilatha

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V. Deshikachar

Mysuru, Aug. 27- Sushira, Sri V. Deshikachar's Academy of Music, Mysuru, has organised its 23rd Annual Music Festival at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city from Aug. 28 to 31 (6.30 pm onwards).

Aug. 28: Flute Concert by Vid. V. Vamshidhar. He will be accompanied by Vid. Mathur Srinidhi on violin, Vid. Anirudh Bhat on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata.

Aug. 29: Vocal Duet by Vidu. Vipanchee Raghuram and Vidu. Mahatee Raghuram. They will be accompanied by Vid. Keshav Mohan Kumar on violin, Vid. Hariharapura K. Abhijith on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata.

Aug. 30: Vocal Concert by Dr. R.N. Srilatha. She will be accompanied by Vid. S. Janardhan on violin, Vid. B S. Prashanth on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik on ghata.

Aug. 31: Veena Concert by Vidu. Yogavandana. She will be accompanied by Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Manjunath on ghata.

Flute Concert at Rama Mandira

Vid. Raghu Simha

Mysuru, Aug. 27- Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru, has organised a Karnatak Classical Flute Concert by Vid. Raghu Simha from Bengaluru at Jayanagar Rama Mandira in Mysuru tomorrow (Aug. 28) at 6 pm.

He will be accompanied by Vid. H.S. Thandavamurthy on violin, Vid. G.T. Swamy on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Mohan on morching, according to a press release from the Trust.

Nadakishorotsava: State-level Youth Fest at Nadabrahma

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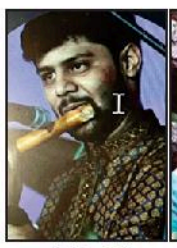

Rakshith

Akshata Bhat

Pranav

Akshata

Mahathee

Satwik

Mysuru, Aug. 27- Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha is organising the State-level Youth Festival 'Nadakishorotsava' at its premises on JLB Road in city from Aug. 30 to Sept. 1.

In all, 12 artistes are selected to participate in the event and there will be three cash prizes. The first place artiste will be conferred with the title 'Nadakishora' or 'Nadakishori.'

This apart, the Best Accompanying Violinist and Mridangist will also be awarded. Event details are as below:

August 30

4.30 pm to 5.30 pm: Vocal Concert by Prithvi Bhaskar. She will be accompanied by Amogh Nadadur on violin and Shubhang on mridanga.

5.35 pm to 6.35 pm: Vocal Concert by Prajna Adiga accompanied by Amogh Nadadur on violin and Shubhang on mridanga.

6.40 pm to 7.40 pm: Vocal Concert by Asweeja Udupa accompanied by Prithvi Bhaskar on violin and Dheemanth Bhat on mridanga.

7.45 pm to 8.45 pm: Flute Concert by Medha Udupa accompanied by Prithvi Bhaskar on violin and Dheemanth Bhat on mridanga.

August 31

4.30 to 5.30 pm: Violin Concert by Aditya Manikarnike accompanied by Pranav Subrahmanya on mridanga.

5.35 pm to 6.35 pm: Vocal Concert by TRK Bros (R.V. Akshay & R.V. Abhishek) accompanied Aditya Manikarnike on violin and Pranav Subrahmanya on mridanga.

6.40 pm to 7.40 pm: Flute Concert by Rakshith Ramaprasad accompanied by Prerana Praveen on violin and Bhuvan on mridanga.

7.45 pm to 8.45 pm: Vocal Concert by Akshata Bhat accompanied by Prerana Praveen on violin and Suhas on mridanga.

September 1

9 am to 10 am: Flute Concert by K.P. Pranav accompanied by Yashasvi on violin and Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga.

10.05 am to 11.05 am: Vocal Concert by Akshata Rudrapatna accompanied by K. Mahathee on violin and Suhas on mridanga.

11.10 am to 12.10 pm: Violin Concert by K. Mahathee accompanied by Bhuvan on mridanga.

12.15 pm to 1.15 pm: Flute Concert by S.S. Satwik accompanied by Yashasvi on violin and Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga.

Stifled - speaks out loud

Annie Zaidi's award winning play 'Stifled (Untitled-1)' is a bold and timely choice. Staged by Kalasuruchi on Aug. 17, in the month of our Independence Day, it lays bare the many dimensions of liberty — especially in relation to self-expression and creative freedom. It is reminiscent of George Orwell's '1984' published in 1949 — then futuristic.

According to Zaidi, the world she weaves in the play is "no longer a dystopian future, but the reality." As the drama unfolds, layer by layer, the plot reveals the insidious manner in which the net of surveillance and control tighten. Three characters take centre stage, The writer, Vishwas (Dr. M.C. Manohar) and his wife, Dina (B.L. Sarala) interact with each other and with Satyajit (Lt. Col. Satish), a communication investigator, constantly on the edge, navigating a slippery ground in which every interface is calibrated and analysed for acceptable levels of 'compliance.'

In a gripping performance, the three main actors held their ground and took us into their internal world. Lt. Col. Satish embodied his character with consummate ease.

The play gave us a taste of how historic narratives are shaped, as the African saying goes 'Until the lions have their own historians, the history of the hunt will always glorify the hunter.' It also, with sardonic wit, described the different shapes and forms repercussions take to counter dissent — and how subservience can be bought. Cajoled or coerced.

While the play appears to veer towards despair and a sense of hopelessness, when Satyajit says to Vishwas, who is incarcerated "Untitled-1 is still in circulation you know. I confiscated another 500 copies. You couldn't have printed it, so there are more copiers around," hope is rekindled as flickers of resistance did find a way to remain lit, in the darkest of times.

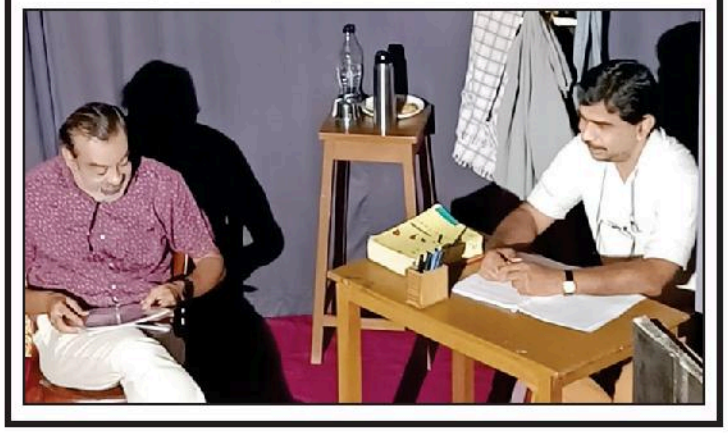
This directorial debut by **Nima Manjrekar** demonstrated her deep grasp of the intricacies of this multi-textured play. The production harmoniously blended the use of audio tracks and music **(Ramanuja)**, stage design **(Narasimha Kumar)** and lights **(Ramesh Babu)**. Spatial use was innovative.

For instance, the positioning of the Judge **(Pradeep Kumar)**, appearing only as a voice, projected from behind the audience gave the impression of placing each of us in the audience in the privileged seat of passing judgements, individually or collectively. In this play that voice of judgement emanated from a systemic power source which was yet again another means of control.

As Suruchi Auditorium is an intimate theatre experience, some of the minor cue lapses of the actors did disrupt the flow occasionally. Also, sections of Vishwas' writings being read out required dramatic articulation. These readings could be further edited down and made taut in the interest of holding audiences' unwavering attention.

In all, this is a play that should be seen widely, especially by youth, preferably followed by incisive discussions as there is a lot to unpack, both in its words and its silences. As Maya Angelou wrote 'a caged bird sings of freedom,' this play, with grit, celebrates that music.

—Kavita Ratna



Novak Djokovic: The man behind the enigma

By U.B. Acharya

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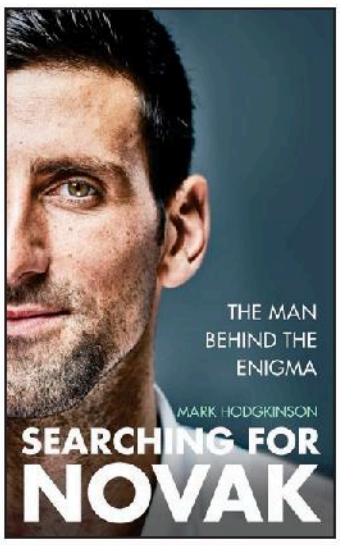
A book review like a film trailer arouses curiosity to the viewer/reader to watch the full movie or to elicit some interest in reading the entire book. However, in this case, the book is about a tennis player who is unquestionably the most successful tennis player and yet way down in the popularity list among the millions of fans. The author makes a case in favour of Novak Djokovic to convince the readers that he should not be condemned and instead respected not only as the greatest player of all times (GOAT) but also as a kind and friendly human being.

This book (published on 24th July 2024) is not a biography of a champion but describes some incidents in his life that has made him physically and mentally strong to face any kind of opposition. The first item the author writes is when Djokovic was 11 years old and when NATO bombers pounded Serbia day and night for 78 days. He felt fear and horror and was 'disturbed emotionally.'

The author has visited the bunker to experience what the young boy went through. Fortunately, Djokovic 'moved on from past' because 'hatred, revenge and betrayal could weigh him down both physically and personally. In the middle of a bombing campaign, Djokovic also carried on playing tennis.' As Chris Evert put it "Bombing made him fearless."

The next aspect is really crucial in Djokovic's career. After winning the Australian Open in February 2008, Djokovic's performance went down drastically. He started losing in early rounds or was giving walkovers



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to his opponents mainly due to breathlessness.

Roger Federer commented "I don't trust his injuries. He is a joke." He was treated for asthma but it did not help.

Enter Dr. Igor Cetojevic, a Bosnian born Serb — 'studied Chinese medicine in Belgrade along with a degree from the Indian Institute of Magnotherapy in New Delhi' — who practiced in Cyprus. The doctor did not know much of tennis but after watching him on TV (as advised by a common Serbian friend) losing badly in an early round at Australian Open in January 2010 felt he could help Djokovic.

'At a restaurant in Split in the summer of 2010, firstly he pressed down on Djokovic's right arm, with the player pushing back. Next, Cetojevic put a bread slice against his stomach and again pressed his right arm. Djokovic sensed he was weaker.' It proved that gluten was weakening him!

Cetojevic also realised that 'a son of pizzeria owners was intolerant not only to wheat products but also to cheese and mildly sensitive to tomatoes.' He put Djokovic on a strict vegan diet for two weeks and found that his performance improved! At the end of 2010, the doctor predicted that in 2011, he would win all four Grand Slams or at least three. Rest is history.

Until May 2016, Djokovic had not won the French Open and had lost the finals three times. Finally, when he won this title in June that year, he was like a deflated balloon. His form went down, partly due to his trusted coach Marian Wajda left him due to personal commitments and also, he developed elbow pain. His new coach Andre Agassi suggested surgery but Djokovic believed in natural healing.

Finally, after losing in the Australian Open in January 2018, he got himself operated to set right his elbow pain. Yet, he lost the next three tournaments and he declared, "I am done. I am quitting tennis!"

Fortunately, upon gentle prodding by his wife Jelena, he changed his mind and recalled his previous coach Wajda. He never looked back afterwards and won a dozen (yes 12) Grand Slam titles in the next five and a half years, thus creating several records.

His most traumatic experience came in January 2022. He had not been vaccinated against COVID 19 but was assured by Craig Tiley, CEO of Tennis Australia, that he would be exempted and allowed to play the Australian Open. Yet, he was detained and sent to 'Park Prison' like a common criminal. His ordeal inside the 97 square feet cell was awful but the experience made him even stronger. Thanks to the intervention of Alison Battison, a human rights lawyer, who succeeded in getting Djokovic deported out of the country. In spite of this, he returned to Australia in January 2023 and won his 10th Australian trophy.

From the last chapter entitled "GOAT," I would like to quote what Chris Evert said. "It is not only about tennis now. Novak is in the conversation about greatest athletes of our times."

If the book can convert at least one Djokovic hater into Djokovic neutral, I believe the author has succeeded in his objective.

Novak Djokovic in action during 2024 Summer Olympics at Roland Garros Stadium in Paris, France, in August.

World Masters Athletics Championships

Mysuru's Reeth Abraham wins Bronze in Triple Jump

Reeth Abraham** (extreme right), **who won bronze medal for India in the women's Triple Jump final event of the World Masters Athletics Championships held in Björlanda, Sweden recently, is seen with** (from left) **Great Britain's Joanne Willoughby (silver medallist) and USA's Neringa Jakstiene (gold medallist).

Mysuru, Aug. 27- Mysuru-born athlete Reeth Abraham has won the bronze medal for India in the women's Triple Jump final event of the World Masters Athletics Championships held in Björlanda, Sweden recently.

Reeth finished with a best effort of 9.83 metres, behind USA's Neringa Jakstiene (9.99 m) and Great Britain's Joanne Willoughby (9.91m).

The 63-year-old Reeth finished a considerable margin ahead of fourth-placed Hilde Bottin of Belgium, who managed a best of 9.29 metres.

Now settled in Bengaluru, Reeth is the daughter of late Ballachanda A. Devaiah (Chimney) and Tomy Devaiah, resident of Saraswathipuram, Mysuru.

A former Asian medallist in long jump and 100 metre hurdles disciplines and a former National Champion in heptathlon, Arjuna Awardee Reeth Abraham has four sisters, popular as Devaiah Sisters (Preeth, Geeth, Seeth and Neeth), who too were prolific sportspersons and have represented their respective Universities, State and country in various sports fields.

Nypunya School students win medals at International Karate Championship

The students of Nypunya School of Excellence, Kanakadasanagar (Dattagalli), Mysuru, have excelled in the International Karate Tournament-2024 held in Shivamogga on Aug. 24 — Hamsika Rajpal of Class 5 has secured first place in Kata and second place in Kumite category and Rithul Rajpal of Class 3 has secured first place in Kata. They are seen posing with their medals at the prize distribution ceremony.

KSCA Maharaja Trophy T20

TODAY'S MATCHES (AUG. 27)

- **GULBARGA MYSTICS** VS **SHIVAMOGGA LIONS** — **3 PM**
- **HUBLI TIGERS** VS **MYSORE WARRIORS** — **7 PM**

Venue: **M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru**

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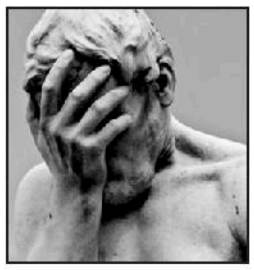
WORD OF THE DAY

Jeremiad



Pronunciation: jair-uh-MYE-ud (Noun)
Meaning: Jeremiad refers to a long cautionary or angry rant about something. It can also refer to a similarly prolonged lamentation, or expression of great sorrow or deep sadness.
Origin: Jeremiah was a Jewish prophet, who lived from about 650 to 570 B.C. and spent his days lambasting the Hebrews for their false worship and social injustice and denouncing the king for his selfishness, materialism, and inequities. When not calling on his people to quit their wicked ways, he was lamenting his own lot; a portion of the biblical Book of Jeremiah is devoted to his "confessions," a series of lamentations on the hardships endured by a prophet with an unpopular message. Nowadays, English speakers use Jeremiah for a pessimistic person and jeremiad for the way these Jeremiahs carry on. The word jeremiad was borrowed from the French, who coined it as jérémiade.
Example: "One of the most exciting exhibitions now on view is Josh Kline's 'Project for a New American Century' at the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York. Kline uses video, sculpture and installation to explore the social, political and environmental crises we are facing. ... But Kline's work transcends the jeremiad and grapples with the persistence of beauty as a basic adaptive tool. And unlike any other artist I've encountered recently, he works simultaneously in the utopian and dystopian mode." — Philip Kennicott, The Washington Post, 8 June 2023.

THE ODD WORD

Dawdle

A verb that means to move or act slowly and without a clear purpose.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Worlds Apart

Meaning: Greatly separated by differing attitudes, needs, opinions or temperaments.
Origin: The term is closely related to the late 13th century Latin distantia, which is an expression of remoteness or a "standing apart". By the late 14th century, the figurative meaning of remoteness grew to include space between places or things, which is essentially the same meaning as the more modern phrase "worlds apart."
Example: "They are worlds apart. I can't imagine how they ever decided to get married."

QUOTE BOX

I have never met a man so ignorant that I couldn't learn something from him. **—Galileo Galilei**

RIDDLE THIS

Mrs. Brown has 5 daughters. Each of these daughters has a brother. How many children does Mrs. Brown have?

Answer: They have 6 children. Each daughter has the same brother: There are 5 daughters and 1 son.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Comics cry
4 Letters at end of page
7 Clothing edge
10 Until now (2,2)
11 Harry Potter's mate
12 It's full form? (2,2)
14 Remorseful or sorry for one's wrong-doing
16 ____ and void?
17 Body of water
18 Unbeatable service
19 ____ amigo : farewell my friend?
20 Fluid lubricant
21 Spanish cheer
22 Brother of Kush
24 Yet to be broadcasted
28 ___ - sided: partial or unfair?
29 Desmond's pet name?
30 Paki spy group
31 National park in Uttarakhand
33 Complain incessantly?
34 Not of good character
35 An ugly old woman
37 Resided or stayed
40 Summer and Winter Games org.
41 Luau dish
44 "Air" as prefix
45 Wagers
47 Killed
48 Electronic Instrument Sys.
49 Pack of paper
50 ___ Biao : Mao Zedong's famous general?
51 Born?
52 A Programming Lang.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

S	L	O	E	■	F	O	E	■	J	A	D	E
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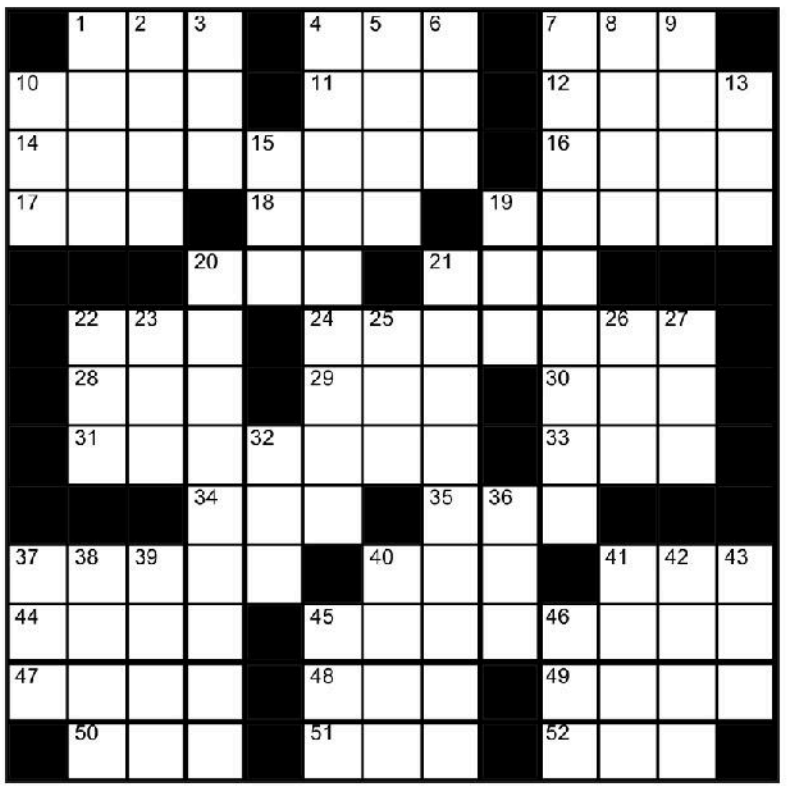
DOWN
1 Fencing sword
2 Active volcano of Sicily over 10,000 ft high
3 Colourful Japanese carp
4 Made impossible by previous action
5 Musical sound
6 Ontario, in short
7 Obstructing
8 Needle case
9 Famous sculpture known as the 'Venus de.....'
10 Bull periods
13 Satellite Landing Sys.
15 ____ chi: Chinese exercises
19 Foreman foe
20 Inflated or pretentious?
21 Hop-drying kiln is situated in here
22 Locality, in short
23 United Nations Organisation, in short
25 Catch or ensnare
26 Conductor __-Pekka Salonen
27 Use a spade
32 Flying mammal
36 Deed
37 ___ Kapital : Karl Marx's magnum opus?
38 In good health
39 Able was I, ___ ___ saw Elba ? (3,1)
40 Tennis star Nastase
41 Take a quick look
42 Spoken test
43 Any doctrine
45 Marsh
46 Singing syllable



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Answer to previous puzzle

7	3	4	9	2	8	6	1	5
8	6	1	7	5	4	2	3	9
9	5	2	6	3	1	8	4	7
5	2	8	4	7	6	3	9	1
6	1	7	5	9	3	4	2	8
3	4	9	8	1	2	7	5	6
2	9	5	3	8	7	1	6	4
4	8	3	1	6	5	9	7	2
1	7	6	2	4	9	5	8	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

WQRMR SP EJTJZG PJ SMMSWKWSEV KP PJARTJZG LSWQ

IRPP SEWRIISVREHR KEZ AJMR PREPR WQKE LR QKDR.

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If no one ever took risks, Michelangelo would have painted the Sistine floor.

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Harold & The Purple Crayon (E)	(S-1)	11 am; (S-2) 2.10 pm
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	(S-2)	10.45 am
	(S-4)	7.05 pm, 10.10 pm
Stree-2 (H)	(S-1)	7.10 pm, 10.10 pm
	(S-4)	10.20 am, 4.10 pm
Powder (K)	(S-2)	4.30 pm, 7.15 pm
Vaazha Biopic of a Billion Boys (Ma)	(S-2)	10 pm
Alien Romulus (E)	(S-3)	10.55 am, 4.50 pm, 7.30 pm
Thangalaan (Ta)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
Bheema (K)	(S-3)	10 pm; (S-4) 1.15 pm

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Bheema (K)	(S-1)	10.50 am
Powder (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm, 4.20 pm
Footage (Ma)	(S-1)	6.55 pm
Nunakkuzhi (Ma)	(S-1)	9.25 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	(S-2)	12.25 am, 6.25 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-3)	3.45 pm; (S-4) 10.20 am
Bheema (K)	(S-2)	3.50 pm
	(S-4)	1.25 pm, 6.35 pm
Stree 2: Sarkate Ka Aathank (H)	(S-3)	10 am, 12.50 pm, 6.50 pm
	(S-4)	9.30 pm
Hunt (Ma)	(S-3)	9.40 pm; (S-4) 4.20 pm

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Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.20 am, 3.55 pm, 6.35, 10.30 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	10.05 am, 1.30 pm, 7.05 pm
Harold & The Purple Crayon (E)	:	11 am, 4.25 pm
Bheema (K)	:	12.45 pm, 7.20 pm, 10 pm
Powder (K)	:	12.45 pm, 6.40 pm
Thangalaan (Ta)	:	1.10 pm
It Ends With Us (E)	:	3.25 pm
Palum Pazhavum (Ma)	:	3.35 pm
Khel Khel Mein (H)	:	4.10 pm
Footage (Ma)	:	9.30 pm
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Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.05 am, 12.30 pm, 4 pm 7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Stree 2: Sarkate Ka Aatank (H)	:	9.20 am, 12.30 pm, 3.40 pm 6.50 pm, 10 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	10 am, 3.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Bheema (K)	:	10 am, 3.55 pm, 10.15 pm
Powder (K)	:	1.10 pm, 7.25 pm
Kottukkaali (Ta)	:	1.20 pm
Maruthi Nagar Subramanyam (Te)	:	6.25 pm

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

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Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.40 am, 12.50 pm, 3.35 pm 7 pm, 10 pm
Stree 2: Sarkate Ka Aatank (H)	:	9.40 am, 1 pm 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	9.45 am, 1.40 pm 7.30 pm, 10.10 pm
Powder (K)	:	10.50 am, 4.10 pm
Bheema (K)	:	12.25 pm, 4.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Hunt (Ma)	:	4.20 pm
Vaazhai (Ta)	:	6.55 pm

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Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.55 am, 3.50 pm, 9.50 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Harold & the Purple Crayon (E)	:	10 am, 5.20 pm
C (K)	:	12.10 pm
Bheema (K)	:	12.40 pm, 7.20 pm
Thangalaan (Ta)	:	1.15 pm
Footage (Ma)	:	2.35 pm
Powder (K)	:	4.30 pm, 7.30 pm
Palum Pazhavum (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (AUG. 27)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP), Mysuru:** 20th Edition of Bombe Mane — Display of exquisite dolls from across India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, No. 91, 1st Floor, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Trust:** Sri Krishna Leelotsava and procession, **4.30 pm;** Yakshagana 'Sri Krishna Leele - Kamsavadhe' by Karnataka Mahila Yakshagana, Bengaluru, Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit and Kadali Mahila Vedike:** 'Vachana-Shravana: Mane Manege Shravana Masada Sharana Sandesha,' lecture by columnist Bannur K. Raju, JSS Women's Hostel, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana and Discourse Series; Mass prayer, **6 pm;** Dr. K. Anantharamu delivers discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani,' written by Lakkanna Dandesha; Vaachana by Vidushi Dharitri Anandarao (Mysuru), Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sanchalana Mysuru, Mysuru and Kannada & Culture Directorate, Bengaluru:** Valedictory of 'Sanchalana Yuvaranga Training Camp -2024,' Rangayana Director Satish Tiptur, Kannada & Culture Dept. Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy and theatre director Digvijaya Heggodu will be present, Sanchalana President Deepka Mysore presides, **6 pm;** Staging of play 'Citra Turaga Nyaya Arthat Keertiya Avantara,' Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Charitable Trust:** Sri Krishna Janmashtami Puja Programmes, Abhisheka and Phalapushpalankara, Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUG. 28)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa, Kumkumarchana, **9 am;** Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, **6.30 pm.**
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- **Mysore Literary Association:** Talk on 'Reading Literature: From Intuition and Imagination to Knowledge' by Prof. N. Manu Chakravarthy, Professor of English (retd.), AVC-III, Mahajana First Grade College, Jayalakshmipuram, **11 am.**
- **Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Charitable Trust:** Sri Krishna Janmashtami Puja Programmes, Sheshavahanotsava Annakoototsava, Mahamangalarati, Teertha Prasada Viniyoga, **11.30 am;** Godhuli Utsava - Procession with Nadaswaram, Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit and Kadali Mahila Vedike, Mysuru:** 'Vachana-Shravana: Mane Manege Shravana Masada Sharana Sandesha,' lecture by H.B. Sridhar (Lecturer, JSS Women's PU College), residence of Geetha Eshwar, HIG-12, Raagasangama, New Kantharaj Urs Road, Sharadadevinagar, **5.30 pm.**
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- **Religious Endowment Department, Government of Karnataka:** Sri Krishnotsava, Shikyotsava, Sri Prasanna Krishnaswamy Temple, Palace Fort premises, **6 pm.**
- **Sushira, Sri V. Deshikachar's Academy of Music, Mysuru:** 23rd Annual Music Festival, Flute Concert by Vid. V. Vamshidhar, accompanied by Vid. Mathur Srinidhi on violin, Vid. Anirudh Bhat on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Karnatak Classical Flute Concert by Vid. Raghu Simha (Bengaluru), accompanied by Vid. H.S. Thandavamurthy on violin, Vid. G.T. Swamy on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Mohan on morching, Jayanagar Rama Mandira, **6 pm.**

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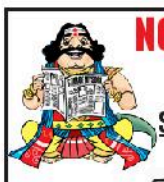

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